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CRIMEBUSTER,
AMERICA'S ACE
BOY DETECTIVE
GRAPPLES A
NEW AND MORE
TERRIBLE
IRON JAW





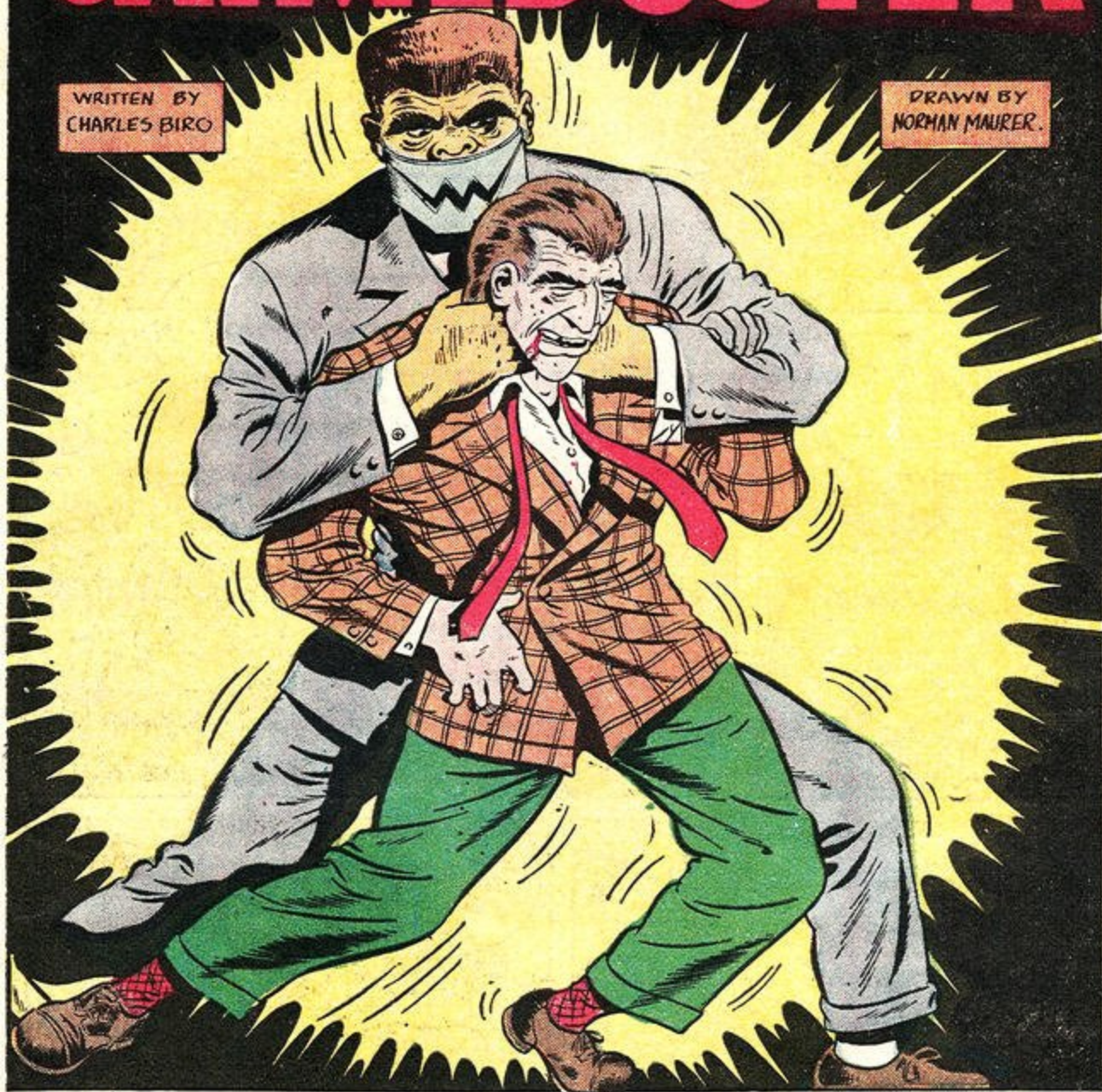
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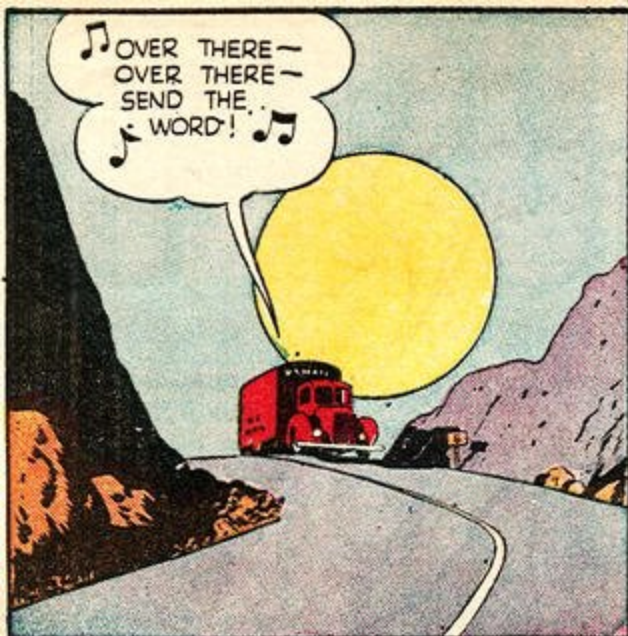
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WHAT IS THE WORST CRIME THAT A CRIMINAL CAN COMMIT? IS IT MURDER, ARSON, KIDNAPPING, OR LOOTING IN A FLOOD? IT'S BEEN MY OPINION THAT ONE IS AS HATEFUL AS ANOTHER... SOME SAY THAT CRIMINALS ARE BORN! I SAY THEY ARE BRED BY BAD ENVIRONMENTS, AND ASSOCIATIONS. TO PROVE THIS POINT, WE HAVE ONLY TO LOOK AT GERMANY AS IT WAS, AND AS IT IS TODAY — A NATION OF CRIMINALS BRED BY HITLER'S VENOMOUS NAZI POISON! I CAN SAY THAT AGAIN FOR THE DIRTY JAPS! SINCE WE KNOW WHO OUR ENEMIES ARE, WE KNOW HOW AND WHERE TO DEFEND OURSELVES! OUR GREAT DANGER IS FROM OUR ENEMIES WITHIN! THOSE DIRTY SCUM WHO PRETEND TO BE OUR FRIENDS, YET ARE SELLING AMERICA SHORT BY TRYING TO SPREAD NAZI POISON AND HITLER'S HATE AMONG US. THEY ARE THE WORST CRIMINALS OF ALL! THE TRAITORS! BE GRATEFUL THAT FOR EVERY HATE PEDDLER, THERE ARE TRUE, WIDE AWAKE AMERICANS ON GUARD! WE NOW KNOW WHO OUR INTERNAL ENEMIES ARE, AND BROTHER, WE KNOW HOW TO CRUSH THEM!

Charles Biro





I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED ABOUT PULLIN' A JOB LIKE THIS!

THIS JOB AIN'T OVER YET! GIVE YOURSELF A HOTFOOT!



DON'T DRIVE TOO FAST! WE DON'T WANT TO GET PICKED UP FOR SPEEDIN'!

THIS JOB WAS WELL CASED, BUT WE'VE GOT TO GIVE THIS STUFF TIME TO COOL OFF!



WHO'S GONNA FENCE THIS STUFF FOR US?

THE WART! HE'S WAITIN' FOR MY CALL IN FLORIDA NOW!



HELLO, WART! WE JUST FINISHED HARVESTIN'! BRING THE LETTUCE!



THIS IS OUR VERY FINEST TRUNK!

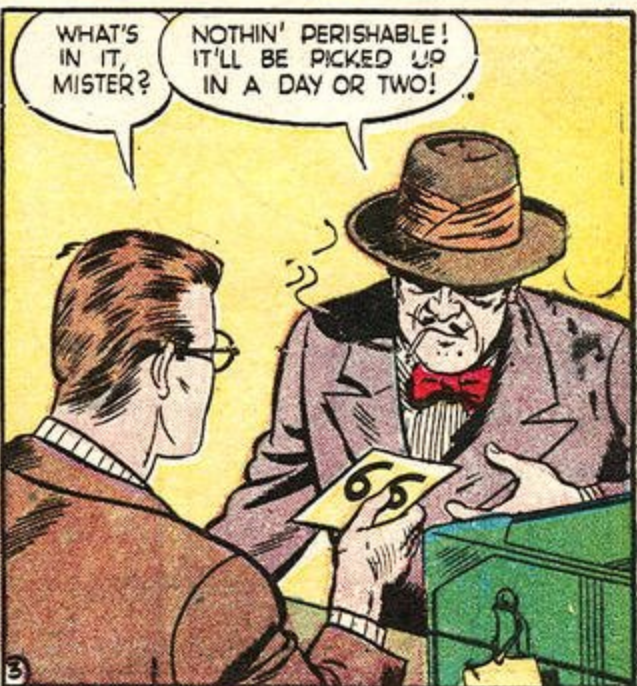
I'LL TAKE IT!

I DON'T GET IT!



THIS IS THE SCREWIEST IDEA I EVER HEARD!

FOR THE LAST TIME, DRIP, THIS IS THE SAFEST PLACE IN THE WORLD! WE CHECK IT FOR TWO BITS AND THEY GUARD IT FOR US TILL WART GETS HERE!



WHAT'S IN IT, MISTER?

NOTHIN' PERISHABLE! IT'LL BE PICKED UP IN A DAY OR TWO!

I'LL GET OUT
HERE! THANKS
A LOT FOR THE
LIFT, MISTER!
C'MON, SQUEEKS!



HI, LOOVER!
GOT YOUR MESSAGE
AND- TAILED IT OVER
HERE AS FAST AS I
COULD! WHAT CAN
I DO FOR YOU?

HERE, **CRIMEBUSTER**,
TAKE A LOOK AT THIS
BODY AND SEE IF YOU
RECOGNIZE THE WORK
OF ANY OF THE
LOCAL TALENT!



HEAD BASHED IN
FROM THE BACK, SNEAK-
ED UP BEHIND HIM WITH
A WRENCH, PROBABLY!
HMM-BUT SOMEONE HAD
TO LURE HIM FROM THE
CAR AND GET HIM IN
POSITION!



IT COULD HAVE BEEN
TWO SMALL TIME
CROOKS-SPIKE HEELER
AND SLIP EELSON! THEY
WORK THAT WAY!
WHAT WAS THE
PRIZE?

\$1,000,000 IN GOVERN-
MENT BONDS, BUT THAT
WASN'T THE WORST OF IT
ONE OF THE BAGS CON-
TAINED VITAL WAR
DISPATCHES!



I TELL YOU, **CRIME-
BUSTER**, IF THAT ARMY
INFORMATION GETS IN THE
HANDS OF THE NAZIS, IT'LL
MEAN THE END OF OUR
HOPE FOR AN EARLY
VICTORY! IT MUST
BE RECOVERED!



CRIMEBUSTER,
IF YOU CAN
CLEAR THIS CASE UP
AND BRING BACK
THOSE DISPATCHES,
I'LL-I'LL DO ANY
FAVOR YOU ASK
OF ME!



YOU MEAN
YOU'LL SEE WHAT
YOU CAN DO
ABOUT GETTING
ME INTO THE
ARMY?

YES, YES,
CRIMEBUSTER,
ANYTHING!

IF YOU
SPEAK TO THE
PRESIDENT, AFTER
THE CASE IS
CLEARED! IT'S
A DEAL!



THAT WAS THE WART DOWNSTAIRS!
HE'S ON HIS WAY UP!

QUICKER!
WE UNLOAD THAT STUFF ON HIM, THE BETTER I'LL LIKE IT!!

GREETINGS! HAVEN'T SEEN YOU BOYS SINCE WE SHARED A SUITE UP THE RIVER!

CUT THE COMICS! DID YOU BRING THE DOUGH?

WE'LL GO INTO THAT LATER!
WHERE'S THE STUFF? HOW MUCH DID YOU GET? YOU KNOW I DON'T BOTHER WITH SMALL STUFF!

THIS IS **BIG STUFF!** MAYBE IT'S- EVEN TOO BIG FOR YOU TO HANDLE!

THE SUSPENSE IS KILLING ME! WHAT IS IT? LET'S TAKE A GANDER AT IT!

THE STUFF IS CHECKED AT THE STATION! THERE'S A COOL MILLION IN U.S. STAMPS AND BONDS, AN' LOTS OF ARMY STUFF THAT'LL SELL FOR PLENTY!

WE WANT A HUNDRED GRAND FOR IT!

I NEVER CARRY THAT MUCH HAY WITH ME! YOU BOYS ARE HOT- I SUPPOSE YOU WANT SOME CASH TO COOL OFF WITH! HERE'S FIVE G'S! I'LL SHOOT THE REST TO YOU AFTER I'VE LOOKED THE STUFF OVER!

SURE-THAT'S O.K. WITH US! YOU'RE TOO SMART TO PULL A FAST ONE!

IF THAT STUFF IS ALL YOU SAY IT IS; IT'S GOING TO BE PRETTY RISKY BUSINESS, BUT A DEAL'S A DEAL!

YOU GOT NO SQUAWKS! WE STICK OUR NECKS OUT AND YOU GET ALL THE TAKE-FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, DON'T LOSE THAT TICKET!

DJS TRUNK SURE IS HEAVY—WHATCHA GOT IN HERE, MISTER? GOLD BRICKS?

NO—I'VE GOT MY MOTHER IN LAW IN IT! HA! HA! HA!

BAGGAGE CHECKED



ALL ABOARD



WHICH IS THE BAGGAGE CAR?

FOUR CARS UP AHEAD, MISTER!



THE COAST IS CLEAR! AT LAST I CAN GIVE THIS STUFF THE GLAD EYE!



PHEW! WHAT A STINK! WHAT ELSE THEY GOT IN HERE?



CRIPES!



IT'S A PLAN! THE SKUNKS ARE TRYIN' TO FRAME ME! AN' FIVE GRAND OF MY GOOD DOUGH IS PAYIN' 'EM TO DO IT! THE TRAIN'S STOPPIN'! GOOD!



I DON'T SEE WHATCHA WANNA CASE ANOTHER JOB FOR! WE AIN'T EVEN HIT INTO OUR FIVE GRAND YET!

JUST TO KEEP FROM GOING STALE! ANY OBJECTIONS?

YEAH—I'VE GOT LOTS OF OBJECTIONS! YOU'VE CASED YOUR LAST JOBS! GET BACK IN THERE!

WELL—WHAT—WHY, WART—WHAT'S EATIN' YA?

YOU LOUSY BUMS! TRY TO PULL A FAST ONE ON ME, WILL YA? SELLIN' ME A TRUNK WITH A STIFF IN IT!

DON'T! ARRGH! YOU MUSTA GOT TH' WRONG TRUNK! TH.. THEY M..MADE A M.MISTAKE...

UGH!

ON THE LEVEL? YOU MUST BE, TO TELL ME THAT, WHILE YER DYING! YOU MUST OF GIVEN ME TH' WRONG TICKET! WHERE'S TH' RIGHT ONE! ANSWER ME! WHO GOT TH' RIGHT TICKET!—OH—HE'S DEAD! THEY'RE BOTH DEAD!

IF I COULD ONLY REMEMBER THE NUMBER ON THE STUB—MAYBE I COULD SAY THERE'S BEEN A MISTAKE! I REMEMBER—IT WAS 66! NO—IT WAS 99—NO, IT'S 66! THAT'S IT! THAT'S HOW I GOT IT MIXED UP!

SORRY, MISTER—THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN GET YOUR TRUNK WITHOUT A TICKET IS TO TELL US EXACTLY WHAT'S IN IT AND ALLOW US TO OPEN, AND VERIFY IT!

IT AIN'T MY TRUNK! I'M JUST PICKIN' IT UP FOR A GUY! HOW SHOULD I KNOW WHAT'S IN IT?

IT'S UNCANNY, C.B.! HOW YOU GUESSED WHO THESE FINGERPRINTS WOULD BELONG TO! DO YOU WANT THIS WRENCH?

MODUS OPERENDUM, THEIR METHOD OF CRIME IS SOMETIMES AS TELLING AS THEIR FINGERPRINTS! SEND THE WRENCH TO LOOVER!



I THINK WE'RE REALLY UP AGAINST IT, SQUEEKS! THOSE MUGS HAVE A BIG LEAD ON US! THIS TOWN'S A BIG HAYSTACK, AND THEY'LL BE TOUGH NEEDLES TO FIND!

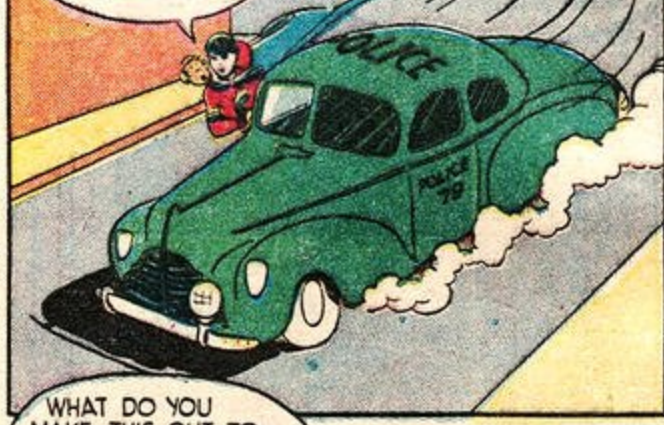


WHAT'S THE CRUSADE THIS TIME, O'LEARY!

THEY FOUND A COUPLE OF STIFFS IN A FLAT ON WEST STEET! COMIN' ALONG?



TAKE IT EASY ON THE LEFT TURNS, O'LEARY, OR YOU'LL BLACK ME OUT!



WHAT DO YOU MAKE THIS OUT TO BE, O'LEARY? LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING'S BEEN DRAGGED ACROSS THE FLOOR!

HOLY CATS! IT'S SLICK AND SLIP, THE VERY GUYS I'M LOOKING FOR, BUT WHAT GOOD ARE THEY NOW?



SEARCH ME! IT MIGHTA BEEN ANYTHING!



IF I KNEW WHAT HAD BEEN DRAGGED ACROSS THIS FLOOR, I'D HAVE A CLUE TO WORK WITH!

YOU'LL BE HERE FOR SOME TIME, O'LEARY! MIND IF I BORROW YOUR TRANSPORTATION?

HELP YOURSELF, C.B., BUT NO PLEASURE DRIVING!

CALLING CARS 31 AND 37—PROCEED TO CANAL AND BOND! INTERCEPT SUSPECT! ALL OTHER ROADS GUARDED—

WAIT'LL LOOVER GETS A LOAD OF THESE MURDERS!!

SOMETHIN'S COOKIN' SOME PLACE!!!

IRON JAW ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISON—BELIEVED TO HAVE KIDNAPPED ENTERTAINER!! HE IS ARMED! PROCEED WITH CAUTION!

NOT AGAIN! BLAST IT! CAN'T ANY JAIL HOLD THAT PIG, IRON JAW? I'M GOING TO HAVE TO MOVE FAST, NOW!

MR. LOOVER HAS LEFT TOWN—FLORIDA, I THINK! THEY FOUND THAT ACTOR, IRON JAW KIDNAPPED, STUFFED IN A TRUNK!

A TRUNK! THAT'S WHAT WAS DRAGGED ACROSS THE FLOOR—A TRUNK! NOW, WE'RE GETTING SOME PLACE!

IF MR. LOOVER CALLS OR COMES BACK, WHAT SHALL I TELL HIM, CRIMEBUSTER?

TELL HIM TO MAKE THAT APPOINTMENT WITH THE PRESIDENT!

ON SECOND THOUGHT, I'LL TELL HIM MYSELF! MIND IF I USE YOUR PHONE?

HELLO, BOSS—I THOUGHT I'D KEEP YOU POSTED ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS! BUT FIRST, WHAT DID YOU FIND OUT?

I FOUND A GUY MURDERED IN A TRUNK WITH THE NEATEST PAIR OF THUMB PUNCTURES IN HIS THROAT!

IF I DIDN'T KNOW IRON JAW WAS CAGED UP, I'D SWEAR HE KNOCKED THIS GUY OFF! ANYWAY, I GOT ONE CLUE! THERE STILL IS A TICKET STUB ON THIS TRUNK! NUMBER 66 FROM OUR DEPOT!

FIND OUT WHO HAD THIS TRUNK SHIPPED DOWN HERE! BUT DON'T WASTE ANY TIME ON THIS CASE! I WANT YOU TO STICK TO THAT MAIL HOLDUP! HAVE YOU UNCOVERED ANYTHING YET?

NOTHING MUCH REALLY, EXCEPT IRON JAW DID MURDER THAT GUY! HE ESCAPED LAST NIGHT AFTER A PRISON SHOW! THE GUY IN THE TRUNK WAS ONE OF THE ENTERTAINERS THAT PUT ON THE SHOW!

AND THE TWO CROOKS THAT STUCK UP THE MAIL TRUCK HAVE ALSO BEEN MURDERED—BUT NO TRACE OF THE STUFF YET!

JUDAS PRIEST!
THE WORLD'S TURNING TURVEY, AND I'M WASTING MY TIME ON THIS STIFF! I'M COMING RIGHT UP

HOW SHOULD I KNOW WHO CALLED FOR 66? WAIT A MINUTE! HEY, MAX—DO YOU REMEMBER HANDLING NUMBER 66?

YEAH, HE'S THE GUY THAT'S BEEN GIVIN' US ALL THAT TROUBLE, YOU KNOW, THE GUY WITH THE WARTS!

HE'S PROBABLY HERE, SOME PLACE! HE'S BEEN HANGING AROUND ALL DAY TRYING TO GET ANOTHER TRUNK WITHOUT A STUB—THERE HE IS—HEY, YOU!

DON'T YOU CAN'T--
—TOO LATE!



THAT WAS SOME BREAK, IRON JAW MADE! HE SURE IS THE MASTER OF ALL! HE MUST HAVE A PRETTY GOOD HIDEOUT IF THE F.B.I. CAN'T FIND HIM!

WHAT'S IT TO YOU WHERE HE HIDES OUT?

A GUY JUST BREAKIN' JAIL COULD USE A LITTLE READY CASH, DON'T YOU THINK?

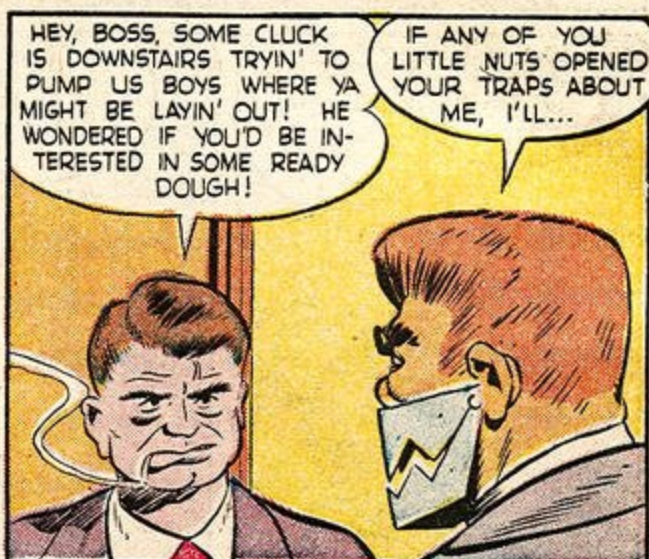
I SUPPOSE HE COULD, BUT IF IT'S IRON JAW, YOU'RE LOOKIN' FOR, YOU WON'T FIND HIM AROUND HERE!



THOSE PUNKS ARE LYIN'! IRON JAW'S HERE, SOMEWHERE, BUT THEY'RE NOT GIVIN' OUT WITH THE INFO!

HEY, BOSS, SOME CLUCK IS DOWNSTAIRS TRYIN' TO PUMP US BOYS WHERE YA MIGHT BE LAYIN' OUT! HE WONDERED IF YOU'D BE INTERESTED IN SOME READY DOUGH!

IF ANY OF YOU LITTLE NUTS OPENED YOUR TRAPS ABOUT ME, I'LL...



HONEST, BOSS, NOBODY SAID NOTHIN'! SEE- DAT'S DA GUY ALONE BY DA BAR!

I'VE NEVER LAID MY EYES ON HIM BEFORE!

THEY'RE BLUFFIN'! I'LL MAKE THEM SHOW THEIR HANDS! BET IF I LEAVE HERE, THEY'LL COME CHASIN' AFTER ME!



HEY, CABBIE, TAKE ME TO THE NIGHT OWL CLUB ON SECOND STREET!



WHAT IS THIS? WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOIN' HERE?

SAID YA WANTED TA SEE IRON JAW, DIDN'TCHA?



WHAT'S THE IDEA OF THE BLINDFOLD? I'M NO COPPER!

A HIDEOUT WOULDN'T BE A HIDEOUT IF EVERYBODY KNEW WHERE IT WAS, NOW, WOULD IT?



WHAT'S HE TAKIN' SO LONG, FOR? I'VE BEEN SITTIN' HERE FOR OVER AN HOUR! WHO'S HE THINK HE IS, ANYWAY?

TAKE IT EASY! HE'LL BE HERE WHEN HE'S READY, NOT BEFORE!



GOOD EVENING! HOPE I DIDN'T KEEP YOU WAITING TOO LONG!—YOU TWO, BEAT IT!

NOT AT ALL, IRON JAW! IT WAS A PLEASURE!

WE'LL BE OUTSIDE, IF YOU WANT US, IRON JAW!



I UNDERSTAND YOU'VE BEEN ASKING A LOT OF DANGEROUS QUESTIONS ABOUT ME! DON'T YOU LIKE THIS WORLD?

YA SEE, IRON JAW, OUR TRUNK TICKETS GOT MIXED UP! I'M THE GUY WHO FOUND THE STIFF ON THE TRAIN AND BEAT IT!



HA! HA! HA!
I WAS WONDERING
HOW THAT TRUNK
GOT ON A TRAIN!
GO ON!

STUB 66 WAS
MINE AND 99 WAS
YOURS, BUT THE
CLERK GOT 'EM MIXED
UP—SO YOU GOT MY
STUB AND I GOT
YOURS! DO YOU
FOLLOW ME?



AND YOU WANT
ME TO GIVE YOU
THE STUB I'VE
GOT—IS THAT
IT?

YOU CATCH
ON QUICK, IRON
JAW! HAVE YA
STILL GOT TH' STUB?
'IRON JAW,
HAVE YA?



MAYBE I HAVE,
I DON'T KNOW!
IS IT
IMPORTANT?

ONLY TO ME IT
IS! YOU'VE GOT TO
FIND IT, IRON JAW!
I'LL PAY YOU FIVE
GRAND FOR IT!



FIVE GRAND'S A
LOT OF MONEY TO
PAY FOR A TRUNK
TICKET! IF IT'S WORTH
FIVE, IT'S WORTH
TEN—WHAT'S
IN IT?

O.K., O.K., SOMETHIN'
YOU'D REALLY GO FOR!
LOTS OF MILITARY STUFF
IN THE TRUNK! IT'S
NO GOOD TO ME, YOU
CAN HAVE ALL THAT
I'LL TAKE THE
REST!



DON'T—GLUG
KILL ME!! I'M
WART—UGH—GLUG!
I CAN UNLOAD
TH' STUFF... YOU
CAN'T—GLUG—
DON'T, PLEASE...

I HEARD ABOUT THAT
MAIL ROBBERY! THERE WAS
A MILLION IN GOVERNMENT
BONDS IN IT! NO ONE CAN
TAKE IRON JAW FOR
A FOOL!



AFTER YOU GET RID
OF THAT—GO TO THE
RAILROAD STATION AND
PICK UP THE TRUNK!
I'LL GIVE YOU THE
RECEIPT!



WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG! GET IT UP HERE! HURRY!

WE CAN'T GO ANY FASTER! THIS TRUNK WEIGHS A TON!

CLEAR OUT AND I DON'T WANT TO BE DISTURBED NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!

O. K.! YOU'RE THE BOSS!

WITH ALL THIS INFORMATION AND MONEY TO WORK WITH, GOERING WILL...

NO!

BUT YES! WELL—HERE WE GO AGAIN, IRON JAW! YOU'RE A DIE HARD!

DAMN YOU—UGH !!

WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON IN THERE? LET'S GO SEE!

IRON JAW SAID HE DIDN'T WANT TO BE DISTURBED, AN' HE MEANS WHAT HE SAYS!

AT LAST I'VE GOT MY FINGERS AROUND YOUR THROAT!



YEEOWW !!

GOOD BOY, SQUEEKS! AN EXTRA BANANA FOR YOU!

IT'S CRIMEBUSTER! HE GOT THE BOSS! I TOLD YOU WE SHOULD HAVE COME IN BEFORE!

REACH!

CRACK

HEY! COME BACK WITH THAT!

YOU'RE IN RARE FORM TODAY, SQUEEKS!

NOW, DOUBLE TIME, BOTH OF YOU! DO AS I SAY!

ANOTHER TRUNK? WHAT'S IN THIS ONE? AND WHO ARE THESE MUGS? WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

OPEN THE TRUNK AND FIND OUT, BUT FIRST, CALL SOME REINFORCEMENTS!

THE MAIL SACKS YOU RECOVERED WERE INTACT! THANKS, AND I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN OUR DEAL!

I KNOW HE'S UNDER AGE, BUT HE'S A VERY UNUSUAL BOY—EXTREMELY STRONG FOR HIS AGE, MR. PRESIDENT! HE WOULD MAKE A WONDERFUL SOLDIER! WHAT DO YOU SAY?

SHOULD THE PRESIDENT GRANT **CRIMEBUSTER** SPECIAL PERMISSION TO ENTER THE SERVICE?

DON'T MISS THE NEXT ISSUE of BOY COMICS!





























DARDEVIL PAYS US A VISIT

A Feature Story by Bob Wood

It was a dark, stormy night when the Dardevil, a small, black, two-wheeled motorcycle, was seen riding down the main street of the town of...

The motorcycle was seen riding down the main street of the town of... The motorcycle was seen riding down the main street of the town of...









































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